

Prayer Service in Malang, April 05, 2011 (Tuesday Evening)

To coincide with fasting prayer session III

Mathew 26:6-13 speaks about PASSOVER PREPARATION.

Mathew 6:7-12

26:7. *a woman came to Him having an alabaster flask of very costly fragrant oil, and she poured it on His head as He sat at the table.*

26:8. *But when His disciples saw it, they were indignant, saying, "Why this waste?"*

26:9. *"For this fragrant oil might have been sold for much and given to the poor."*

26:10. *But when Jesus was aware of it, He said to them, "Why do you trouble the woman? For she has done a good work for Me.*

26:11. *"For you have the poor with you always, but Me you do not have always.*

26:12. *"For in pouring this fragrant oil on My body, she did it for My burial.*

Jesus' death as Lamb of God, is useful for:

1. Saving man who has already died and decayed/recovering mortal pot which has been already destroyed in sin.
2. Pouring Holy Spirit, so the pot is not destroyed again.

John 16:7

16:7. *"Nevertheless I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you.*

Ad. 2. Jesus' death as Lamb of God for pouring Holy Spirit.

Life who is being filled, anointed, and fulfilled by Holy Spirit= woman who poured Jesus' head/body for His burial. It means life who is being used in ministry of the building of the last body of Christ.

Practice of ministry of the building body of Christ is FELLOWSHIP.

In John 15, there are 3 kinds of fellowship:

1. **verse 1-8** : Fellowship between branch and True Vine.

John 15:1-3

15:1. *"I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser*

15:2. *"Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit He takes away; and every branch that bears fruit He prunes, that it may bear more fruit.*

15:3. *"You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you.*

It means, fellowship between congregation/servant of God and Jesus as True Vine.

So, congregation/servant of God **HAS TO** be shepherded in true Teaching Word. In true shepherding, we experience fellowship with Jesus in faithfulness and holiness.

Although we are small branch, SURELY we bear sweet fruit if we are faithful and holy.

Ephesians 5:9

5:9. *(for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness, righteousness, and truth),*

Sweet fruit is fruit of goodness, righteousness/being impartial to anyone but only siding with God, and truth. Result of bearing sweet fruit is being cared and defended by Father in Heaven/we live in big God's mercy.

For example, Elijah was being cared by God through ravens.

2. **verse 9-17** : Fellowship between branch and branch.

It means, fellowship among fellow/fellowship of the Body of Christ. Fellowship between branch and branch must abide in True Vine.

Fellowship of the Body of Christ must be based on the true teaching Word.

Fellowship of the Body of Christ is started from marriage.

John 15:12

15:12. *"This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.*

Practice of fellowship among branches is **LOVING ONE ANOTHER**.

I Peter 1:22

1:22. *Since you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit in sincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart,*

If we obey the true teaching Word, we will experience purification that we can love one another.

Practices of loving one another areas follows:

○ **Matthew 7:12**

7:12. *"Therefore, whatever you want men to do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets.*

Doing/saying to others like we want them to do to us.

So, loving one another means not hurting others.

○ **I Timothy 1:5**

1:5. *Now the purpose of the commandment is love from a pure heart, from a good conscience, and from sincere faith,*

Advising and rebuking one another with true faith/based on good conscience.

○ **Romans 13:8-9**

13:8. *Owe no one anything except to love one another, for he who loves another has fulfilled the law.*

13:9. *For the commandments, "You shall not commit adultery," "You shall not murder," "You shall not steal," "You shall not bear false witness," "You shall not covet," and if there is any other commandment, are all summed up in this saying, namely, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."*

Owe no one anything especially sin debt.

Our attitude is confessing and forgiving one another. Sin is the heaviest burden in our lives. If blood of Jesus can finish our sins, it is also able to finish all our problems.

3. verse 18-27 : Fellowship between branch and the world.

John 15:18, 25-27

15:18. *"If the world hates you, you know that it hated Me before it hated you.*

15:25. *"But this happened that the word might be fulfilled which is written in their law, 'They hated Me without a cause.'*

15:26. *"But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me.*

15:27. *"And you also will bear witness, because you have been with Me from the beginning.*

This world is full of difficulty, suffering and hatred without a cause. Unfortunately, hatred without a cause also hits church of God. **How is our attitude to encounter the hatred without a cause?** We have to bear witness.

Acts 1:8

1:8. *"But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."*

We can bear witness in the middle of difficulty, suffering and hatred without a cause because power of Holy Spirit.

Usefulness of Holy Spirit areas follows:

○ Spirit of comforter.

Comforting and strengthening us, so we are not disappointed, do not deny God, do not leave ministry when we face anything.

○ Spirit of Truth.

Leading us for holding fast and being obedient to true teaching Word. So, we always live in truth in the middle of the world full of difficulty, suffering and hatred without a cause.

- Spirit of Helper.

He can help and finish all our problems in time.

- Spirit of Glory.

I Peter 4:14

4:14. If you are reproached for the name of Christ, blessed are you, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. On their part He is blasphemed, but on your part He is glorified.

He can give happiness to us in the middle of difficulty, suffering and hatred without a cause. Spirit of Glory is also able to change us from carnal men to spiritual men like Jesus/mortar pot's being changed to golden pot like Jesus.

Renewal of life starts from **HONESTY**. Being honest means confessing our state in any condition. Until someday, we are changed to be as glorious as God.

God blesses us.